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SUBJ: 31ST UNGA-PLENARY VOTE ON TIMOR RESOLUTION

USUN 5399 (NOTAL)

1. SUMMARY: UNGA ON DEC 1 ADOPTED DRAFT RESOLUTION ON TIMOR. VOTE WAS 68 (PORTUGAL); 20 (US, INDONESIA); 49. EIGHT MEMBERS (NOT INCLUDING SOUTH AFRICA) WERE ABSENT. END SUMMARY.

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2. (A) ALL NEGATIVE VOTES CAST IN COMITE I (REFTEL) HELD

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FIRM WITH THE ADDITION OF TURKEY AND URUGUAY.

(B) NEW AFFIRMATIVE VOTES WERE: BARBADOS (ABSTAIN TO YES); CAR (ABSENT TO YES); COLOMBIA (ABSENT TO YES); GAMBIA (ABSENT TO YES); GRENADA (ABSTAIN TO YES); KENYA (ABSENT TO YES); MALAWI (ABSENT TO YES); MAURITIUS (ABSENT TO YES); NORWAY (ABSTAIN TO YES); AND SOMALIA (ABSENT TO YES).

(C) NEW ABSTENTIONS WERE: HAITI (ABSENT TO ABSTAIN); LUXEMBOURG (ABSENT TO ABSTAIN); MALDIVES (ABSENT TO ABSTAIN); PAKISTAN (YES TO ABSTAIN); PERU (ABSENT TO ABSTAIN).

(D) NEW ABSENCES WERE: ANGOLA (NEW MEMBER); NIGER (YES TO ABSENT); NIGERIA (YES TO ABSENT);

3. VOTING ON DRAFT RESOLUTION FOLLOWS:

(A) IN FAVOR (68): ALBANIA, ALGERIA, BARBADOS, BENIN, BOTSWANA, BRAZIL, BULGARIA, BURUNDI, BYELORUSSIA, CAMEROON, CAPE VERDE, CAR, CHAD, CHINA, COLOMBIA, CONGO, CUBA, CYPRUS, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, CAMBODIA, SOUTH YEMEN, ECUADOR, EQUATORIAL GUINEA, ETHIOPIA, GABON, GAMBIA, GRENADA, EAST GERMANY, GHANA, GREECE, GUINEA, GUINEA-BISSAU, GUYANA, HUNGARY, ICELAND, IVORY COAST, KENYA, JAMAICA, LAOS, LESOTHO, LIBERIA, MADAGASCAR, MALAWI, MALI, MAURITIUS, MEXICO, MONGOLIA, MOZAMBIQUE, NORWAY, PANAMA, POLAND, PORTUGAL, ROMANIA, RWANDA, SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE, SENEGAL, SIERRA LEONE, SOMALIA, SWAZILAND, SWEDEN, TANZANIA, TOGO, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, UGANDA, UKRAINE, USSR, UPPER VOLTA, ZAMBIA.

(B) AGAINST (20): BANGALDESH, CHILE, INDIA, INDONESIA, IRAN, JAPAN, JORDAN, MALYASIA, MAURITANIA, MOROCCO, NICARAGUA, OMAN, PHILIPPINES, SAUDI ARABIA, SURINAM, THAILAND, TUNISIA, TURKEY, US, URUGUAY.

(C) ABSTENTIONS (49): AFGHANISTAN, ARGENTINA, AUSTRALIA, AUSTRIA, BAHAMAS, BAHRAIN, BELGIUM, BHUTAN, BOLIVIA, CANADA, COSTA RICA, DENMARK, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, EGYPT, EL SALVADOR, FIJI, FINLAND, FRANCE, FRG, GUATEMALA, HAITI, HONDURAS,
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IRAQ, IRELAND, ISRAEL, ITALY, KUWAIT, LEBANON, LUXEMBOURG, MALDIVES, NEPAL, NETHERLANDS, NEW ZEALAND, PAKISTAN, PAPAU NEW GUINEA, PARAGUAY, PERU, QATAR, SINGAPORE, SPAIN, SRI LANKA, SUDAN, SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC, UAE, UK, VENEZUELA, YEMEN, YUGOSLAVIA, ZAIRE.

(D) ABSENT (8): ANGOLA, BURMA, COMOROS, LIBYA, MALTA, NIGER, NIGERIA, SEYCHELLES.

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4. COMMENT: NOTABLE SHIFTS INCLUDED NIGERIA (YES TO ABSENT); PAKISTAN (YES TO ABSTAIN); AND TURKEY (ABSTAIN TONO). INDONESIA'S MISSION REPORTED TO US INTENSE LOBBYING IN THESE CASES. NIGERIA'S ABSENCE RELATED TO ITS NOTE DELIVERED IN JAKARTA (BEFORE COMITE I VOTE) RECOGNIZING DE JURE INCORPORATION OF EAST TIMOR INTO INDONESIA. PAKISTAN'S SHIFT REMOVED THE SOLE NON-COMMUNIST POSITIVE VOTE IN THE BELT OF STATES EXTENDING WESTWARD IN ASIA FROM THAILAND TO THE MEDITERRANEAN. TURKEY'S SHIFT RELATED TO INDONESIAN SUPPORT ON CYPRUS.

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